

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Public scoping began in January 1990 and has been ongoing since that time. Interested publics are invited to comment. The comment period on the supplemental Draft EIS will be 45 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency's notice of availability appears in the **Federal Register**. The supplemental Draft EIS is scheduled for publication in March 1995 and the Final EIS in May 1995.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The Bohemia analysis is being conducted by the Petersburg Ranger District, Stikine Area of the Tongass National Forest. Questions and comments can be directed to Dave Helmick, Forest Service, P.O. Box 309, Petersburg, AK 99833, phone (907) 772-3841.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A public scoping letter was sent to all persons who indicated an interest in the project by responding to the Stikine Area Project Schedule, or who otherwise notified the Stikine Area that they were interested in the Bohemia Timber Sale(s).

Alternatives include the no-action alternative and four action alternatives that would harvest from 10 to 35 million board feet of timber from 339 to 1,381 acres and construct 0.4 to 28 miles of specified road.

The following issues were identified in the previous supplement and will be addressed in the 95 Supplement only to the extent that they are affected by the proposed modifications.

1. Water quality, fisheries, and soils.
2. Wildlife and wildlife habitat.
3. Subsistence resources and users.
4. Recreation resources and users.
5. Wilderness area and associated values.
6. Cultural resources.
7. Scenic quality.
8. Timber sale economics.
9. Transportation.

The Forest Service believes, at this early stage, it is important to give reviewers notice of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of draft environmental impact statements must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions (*Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 533 [1978]). Also, environmental objections that could have been raised at the Draft EIS stage may be waived or dismissed by the courts if not raised until after completing the Final EIS. (*City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022

[9th Cir. 1986] and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 [E.D. Wis. 1980]). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the 45-day comment period so substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final environmental impact statement.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft environmental impact statement should be as specific as possible. It is helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft environmental impact statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft environmental impact statement or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act in 40 CFR 1503.3 while addressing these points.

The responsible official for the decision is Abigail R. Kimbell, Forest Supervisor, Stikine Area of the Tongass National Forest, Alaska Region, Petersburg, Alaska.

Dated: February 14, 1995.

**Abigail R. Kimbell,**

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### **Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration**

#### **Designation for the Indianapolis (IN) Area**

**AGENCY:** Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA), USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** GIPSA announces the designation of Indianapolis Grain Inspection and Weighing Service, Inc. (Indianapolis), to provide official services under the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act).

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 1, 1995.

**ADDRESSES:** Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, GIPSA, USDA, Room 1647 South Building, P.O. Box 96454, Washington, DC 20090-6454.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janet M Hart, telephone 202-720-8525

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

This action has been reviewed and determined not to be a rule or regulation as defined in Executive Order 12866 and Departmental Regulation 1512-1; therefore, the Executive Order and Departmental Regulation do not apply to this action.

In the October 3, 1994, **Federal Register** (59 FR 45258), GIPSA asked persons interested in providing official services in the geographic area assigned to Indianapolis to submit an application for designation. Applications were due by November 1, 1994. Indianapolis, the only applicant, applied for designation in the entire area they are currently assigned.

GIPSA requested comments on the applicant in the December 2, 1994 **Federal Register** (59 FR 54427). Comments were due by December 30, 1994. GIPSA received no comments by the deadline.

GIPSA evaluated all available information regarding the designation criteria in Section 7(f)(l)(A) of the Act; and according to Section 7(f)(l)(B), determined that Indianapolis is able to provide official services in the geographic area for which they applied. Effective April 1, 1995, and ending March 31, 1998, Indianapolis is designated to provide official inspection services in the geographic area specified in the October 3, 1994, **Federal Register**.

Interested persons may obtain official services by contacting Indianapolis at 317-782-8938.

**AUTHORITY:** Pub. L. 94-582, 90 Stat. 2867, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*)

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**Neil E. Porter**

*Director, Compliance Division*

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#### **Opportunity To Comment on the Applicant for the Enid (OK) Area**

**AGENCY:** Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA), USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** GIPSA requests comments on the applicant for designation to provide official services in the geographic area currently assigned to Enid Grain Inspection Company, Inc. (Enid).

**DATES:** Comments must be postmarked, or sent by telecopier (FAX) or electronic mail by March 31, 1995.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments must be submitted in writing to Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, GIPSA, USDA, Room 1647